Foxcroft Academy Hosted the Kathy E. Richards Girls State Chess Championship

Foxcroft Academy hosted the 2024 Maine Girls State Chess Championship with girls from around the state on Saturday, February 10th. The Maine Chess Association also announced that the girls championship will now be known as the Kathy E. Richards Girls State Chess Championship in honor of Maine Chess Hall of Famer and Foxcroft Academy teacher Ms. Kathy Richards. Richards has been competing in chess tournaments for the last fifty years, including being the first winner of the girls championship in 1972. She was inducted into the Association Hall of Fame in August 2023. Read more about Ms. Richards on the Maine Chess Association website: https://chessmaine.net/chessmaine/2023/08/maine-chess-hall-of-fame.html

Student Council Honors Bus Drivers

We celebrate school bus driver appreciation in February each year, and the Foxcroft Academy Student Council took the time to honor our excellent crew of bus drivers on Wednesday, February 14th. They get us to school every day in all kinds of Maine weather. They drive us to events and games and cheer on the Ponies. And they do it all in the name of safety. Thanks to all the bus drivers who serve our FA students! You are appreciated!

Elina White-Charette Qualifies for State Poetry Out Loud Competition

Congratulations to senior Elina White-Charette, who placed in the top five at the 2024 Poetry Out Loud Regional competition. This program at Foxcroft Academy was started by English teachers, Mrs. Young and Mr. Kneeland, and requires students to memorize and recite a piece of poetry. Elina won the school competition and will now move on to the state championship round, which will be held at the Bangor Arts Exchange on March 11th. Great job, Elina!

2024 Winter Carnival

This year’s theme selected by the Student Council was “winter movies.” There were no snow sculptures as the Student Council decided to replace the sculptures with “hallway decorating” with the winter movies theme. Activities kicked off on Wednesday, February 28th, with hall decorating. Thursday, work on hallways continued along with basketball and class skits in the evening. On Friday, students participated in volleyball, kickball, minute to win it, dodgeball, broomball, and quiz bowl. There will be a semi-formal dance on Saturday, March 2nd. Transportation was provided for students who needed rides home on Wednesday and Thursday, and lemonade and pizza were provided in the evening. This Foxcroft Academy tradition celebrates the Maine winter and is part of the year-long “Golden Pony” competition. The class with the highest accumulated points from Homecoming, Winter Carnival, and Spring Fling wins the Golden Pony trophy for a year.